

## Patent Claims

### 1. Communication unit with:

- a memory (10) for storing data of possible communication partners (2),
- a connecting device (11) for establishing communication connections with a communication partner (2) using different means of communication,
- a control unit (9) for triggering the connecting device (11)
- in order to establish a communication connection by using data that is stored in the memory (10) and/or that can be entered manually,

wherein,

if establishing the connection failed, the control unit (9) triggers the connecting device (11) in such a way that a communication connection is established using another means of communication.

### 2. Communication unit as claimed in claim 1

wherein

text messages can be stored in the memory (10) that can be forwarded with a suitable means of communication,

### 3. Communication unit as claimed in claim 1

wherein

the means of communication can be assigned priority levels.

### 4. Communication unit as claimed in claim 1

wherein

the selection of the means of communication can be influenced by way of user specifications.

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